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To: Supervisor Don Knabe, Chairman
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COUNTYWIDE TASK FORCE ON EBOLA PREPAREDNESS AND RESPONSE

The Department of Public Health, in conjunction with the Chief Executive Office's (CEO) Office of Emergency Management (OEM), today convened a multi-department Countywide Task Force on Ebola to discuss, identify, and evaluate the County's planning and anticipated response. While there have been no confirmed cases of Ebola virus disease (Ebola) in Los Angeles County, the first case of Ebola imported into the United States in Texas highlighted the importance of a coordinated local response should a case arise locally.

The Task Force is comprised of CEO, OEM, and the Departments of Public Health, Health Services (DHS), DHS Emergency Management Services, Fire, Sheriff, Coroner, Internal Services, Public Social Services, Mental Health, Children and Family Services, and Los Angeles City Emergency Management Division.

The Task Force will focus on overseeing and coordinating efforts by all involved departments on the County's preparedness and response to Ebola, ensuring a unified voice for clear, concise, and coordinated messaging to stakeholders and the public, and developing and implementing policies and procedures to ensure the health and safety of the community.

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Action items were developed and assigned to the appropriate departments, and a follow-up meeting is scheduled for October 16, 2014. We will provide your Board with an update.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Gregory Polk, CEO, at (213) 974-1160, Cynthia Harding, DPH, at (213) 240-8156, or Jeff Reeb, OEM, at (323) 980-2261.

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